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the affected individual or institution a written disposition, specifying actions to be taken. The decision will include instructions on how to pursue an appeal to the Director.

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§ 689.10 Appeals.

- (a) An affected individual or institution may appeal to the Director in writing within 30 days after receiving the Deputy Director's written decision. The Deputy Director's decision becomes a final administrative action if it is not appealed within the 30 day period
- (b) The Director may appoint an uninvolved NSF officer or employee to review an appeal and make recommendations.
- (c) The Director will normally inform the appellant of a final decision within 60 days after receiving the appeal. That decision will be the final administrative action of the Foundation

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§ 690.101 To what does this policy apply?

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, this policy applies to all research involving human subjects conducted, supported or otherwise subject to regulation by any federal department or agency which takes appropriate administrative action to make the policy applicable to such research. This includes research conducted by federal civilian employees or military personnel, except that each department or agency head may adopt such procedural modifications as may be appropriate from an administrative standpoint. It also includes research conducted, supported, or otherwise subject to regulation by the federal government outside the United States.
- (1) Research that is conducted or supported by a federal department or agency, whether or not it is regulated as defined in §690.102(e), must comply with all sections of this policy.
- (2) Research that is neither conducted nor supported by a federal department or agency but is subject to regulation as defined in \$690.102(e) must be reviewed and approved, in compliance with \$690.101, \$690.102, and \$690.107 through \$690.117 of this policy, by an institutional review board (IRB) that operates in accordance with the pertinent requirements of this policy.
- (b) Unless otherwise required by department or agency heads, research activities in which the only involvement of human subjects will be in one or more of the following categories are exempt from this policy:
- (1) Research conducted in established or commonly accepted educational settings, involving normal educational practices, such as (i) research on regular and special education instructional strategies, or (ii) research on the effectiveness of or the comparison